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Craig T.

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CONGRESSIONAL QUESTIONNAIRE

Dear Friends:

January 1989

In these first few days of my tenure in Congress I am asking for your assistance. Democracy works best when the people are deeply involved in the decision-making process. It is vital that you take a few moments to respond to this questionnaire and express your opinions on the major issues facing the Congress this year.

This session of the 101st Congress will be marked with difficult decisions, debate, and, hopefully, significant progress on the problems facing our country.

I will use the information you provide me to be a better representative for the people of the 4th District of Florida.

Thanks for your help, and please let me know if I can ever be of assistance to you.

Sincerely,

Craig T. James

CRAIG T. JAMES
Member of Congress



Congressman
Craig T. James

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Congressman Craig T. James
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YOUR OPINION COUNTS WITH CONGRESSMAN CRAIG JAMES

1. Which of the following do you think is the most important issue for Congress to address in 1989?
 a. The federal budget deficit d. Drugs
 b. Trade e. AIDS
 c. The environment f. Other _____
2. Which issue would be your second choice?
 a. The federal budget deficit d. Drugs
 b. Trade e. AIDS
 c. The environment f. Other _____
3. What is the number one problem facing the 4th District of Florida? Please rank the remaining issues in order of importance.
 a. The environment e. Jobs
 b. Health Care f. Drugs
 c. Crime g. Unrestricted growth
 d. Education h. Other _____
4. What is the best way to balance the federal budget?
 a. Reduce spending d. A combination of spending reductions and tax increases
 b. Increase taxes
 c. Freeze spending across-the-board e. Other _____
5. Should any federal programs be exempt from budget cuts or freezes? Please select more than one if needed.
 a. Yes, Social Security e. Yes, Education
 b. Yes, Medicare f. Other _____
 c. Yes, Defense g. No
 d. Yes, Veterans Programs
6. Should the U.S. Constitution be amended to require the Federal government to balance its budget, except during times of war or national emergency?
 a. Yes b. No
7. Do you support granting the President line-item veto authority on Congressional appropriations? a. Yes b. No
8. Do you support continued research and development of the Strategic Defense Initiative (SDI), a defense system designed to destroy enemy nuclear missiles in flight? a. Yes b. No
9. Should the Federal government continue providing low-interest student loans for needy college students? a. Yes b. No
10. Special tax exempt savings accounts have been proposed for parents wishing to save for their child's future college tuition. Would you favor the establishment of such accounts? a. Yes b. No
11. Congressman James believes that the recently passed Catastrophic Health Care legislation is really a catastrophic income tax increase for many Americans. Should this law be repealed or amended?
 a. Yes b. No

12. Do you favor expanding Medicare coverage to provide for long-term care for chronic illness, disease, or a disabling injury? a. Yes b. No
13. If so, how should such long-term coverage be financed?
 a. Increased Medicare taxes d. A combination of the above
 b. Increased Medicare premiums e. Financed totally from general revenues
 c. Increased Medicare co-payments
14. Should all working Americans be entitled to unpaid leave in the event of a newborn or adopted child or to care for a sick family member?
 a. Yes b. No
15. Should strict legislation with stiff penalties for violators be enacted to curb the recent outbreak of illegal ocean dumping?
 a. Yes b. No
16. Should strict legislation with stiffer penalties for violators be enacted to protect the inland environment? a. Yes b. No
17. Should the military be used to fight the flow of drugs to our shores?
 a. Yes b. No
18. Should strict legislation be enacted with stiff penalties for drug users and abusers? a. Yes b. No
19. Should the death penalty be given to convicted drug kingpins?
 a. Yes b. No
20. Should we cut off foreign aid to countries which do not cooperate in the war on drugs? a. Yes b. No
21. Congressman James believes members of Congress should be prohibited from accepting honoraria for speeches to businesses and special interest groups. Do you agree? a. Yes b. No
22. Congressman James believes current election finance laws should be overhauled to prevent foreign companies from contributing to political campaigns and to reduce the influence of PAC's. Do you agree? a. Yes b. No
23. The Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) has long been associated with state-sponsored terrorism. Do you agree with the decision to conduct direct talks with the PLO to resolve the Middle East crisis? a. Yes b. No
24. Should the Federal government be allowed to require federal employees and job applicants to take tests to detect drug use as a condition of employment?
 a. Yes b. No
25. Should Federal and State governments require mandatory AIDS testing?
 a. Yes b. No
26. A Presidential panel has recently recommended a 50% pay increase for Members of Congress. Unless Congress specifically votes to block the pay raise it will automatically go into effect on February 7, 1989. Do you think Members of Congress should accept this raise?
 a. Yes b. No

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(Please record your responses here, then detach and mail this card. No envelope necessary.)

Respondent #1

1. a. ☐ b. ☐ c. ☐
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Respondent #2

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